Rrenumbering Pattern of passenger trains

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Details have not been worked out.

Accidents by D.T.C. Buses

171. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the accidents of DTC buses have been alarmingly increasing during the past few months;

(b) if so, the number of total accidents involving DTC buses, during the past one year ;

(c) the number of persons killed as a result thereof during the same period; and

(d) the exact causes of the involvement of DTC buses in accidents and the steps taken by Government against the reckless drivers of DTC buses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Compared to the six monthly period, January—June, 1988 where the accidents rate per lakh kilometres, involving DTC buses had been 1·31, it has declined to 1·27 in January-June, 1989.

(b) and (c) The details of accidents involving DTC buses during 1988-89 are as under ;

Minor	4124
Major	152
Fatal	211
Total	4487
Persons killed . . .	223

(d) Besides normal causative factors like driving habits, increase in vehicle population, consisting mixed mode of vehicles, both slow-moving and fast-moving also contributes to road accidents. Analysis of accident data involving DTC buses shows that rash and negligents driving, error in judgement, mechanical defects, lack of road sense both on the part of DTC crew and others have been the causes for accidents involving DTC buses. Embarkation/disembarkation in moving buses by passengers is also one of the causes for accidents. Steps taken to prevent accidents include training of drivers before putting them on duty, refreshers training programme enforcement of speed limits, provision of speed governors in city service buses, incentives for accident free record etc.

Entitlement of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas for senior Pay-scales

172. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas are entitled for grant of senior scales :

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and conditions of their admissibility to them ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the said scales have not been given to them ; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Senior scale is granted to teachers after 12 years of service in the preceding scale subject to screening by a Departmental Promotion Committee. For this purpose, a teacher is required to participate in service training of atleast three weeks' duration once in every six years. However, where arrangement for such training cannot be made, the appointing authority may exempt a category of teachers for a specific period of time.

(c) and (d) The Assistant Commissioners of Regional Offices are competent to grant the Senior Scale to eligible teachers. Accordingly, necessary instructions have been issued by the Kendriya Vidyaaya Sangathan to the Regional Offices for doing the needful.

Proposal for changing of criteria of short listing of applications in K.V.S.

173. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY :
PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration for changing criteria of short listing applications for different posts of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ;

(c) whether these are being applied in 1989 and only in respect of some and not to all categories of teachers ;

(d) if so, what is the justification thereof ;

(e) whether the said changes have been approved by KVS' Board of Governors; and

(f) if so, what are the details and if not, the validity thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI) : (a) to (f) It has been decided, to revise the criteria for short-listing the candidates to be called for interview for different posts of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. According to the revised criteria, greater weightage will be given to the academic performance of the candidates. This has been done to ensure that the academically more brilliant candidates get a chance to be interviewed by the Selection Committee.

The revised criteria for short-listing the candidates is effective from 1989-90 in respect of recruitment to various teaching post other than the grade of Post Graduate teachers. For recruitment to the grade of Post Graduate Teachers, the revise criteria will be effective from 1990-91.

Suggestions made by K.V.S. Review Committee

174. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the High Power Empowered Committee set up to advise Government on the recommendations made by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Review Committee has since submitted its suggestions to Government :

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether these suggestions have been made available to different employees' associations